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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No: 10/035,836
Filed: December 21, 2001
Entitled: SURFACE ASSEMBLY FOR IMMOBILIZING DNA
CAPTURE PROBES AND BEAD-BASED ASSAY INCLUDING
OPTICAL BIO-DISCS AND METHODS RELATING THERETO
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2. Preliminary Amendment
3. Attachment A: Communication -- Letter to Official Draftsperson
4. Return Postcard
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